

# WOODLAND BEACH WILDLIFE AREA

(6,320 ACRES)

## LIGHTHOUSE TRACT

### UPLAND



Wildlife Area

Established Dirt Road

Designated Parking Area

Power Line

State Road

Gate

Deer Stand

0 1,250 2,500  
Feet



THE BOUNDARIES SHOWN ON THIS MAP ARE APPROXIMATE AND SHOULD ONLY BE USED AS A GUIDE. PLEASE OBEY ALL SIGNS POSTED IN THE AREA. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT A BOUNDARY, PLEASE CONTACT THE AREA MANAGER.



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WOODLAND BEACH WILDLIFE AREA - MCKAY TRACT AND LIGHTHOUSE ISLAND

Persons may hunt on the Woodland Beach Wildlife Area - McKay Tract and Lighthouse Island only as directed by the above rules, which have been established by Regulation 3908 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.

A STAND/BLIND DAY USE PERMIT MUST BE SURRENDERED PRIOR TO OBTAINING A DAILY HUNTING PERMIT DURING ALL DEER FIREARMS AND WATERFOWL SEASONS.

**A. DEER - GENERAL**

DEER HUNTING WILL NOT BE OPEN DURING THE SPECIAL OCTOBER ANTLERLESS FIREARMS SEASONS.

THIS AREA IS NOW A QUALITY DEER MANAGEMENT AREA. ALL HUNTERS (EXCEPT THOSE UNDER 17 YEARS OLD AND NON-AMBULATORY) SHALL NOT TAKE ANTLERED DEER WITH AN OUTSIDE SPREAD OF LESS THAN 15 INCHES AT ANY TIME.

1. Deer hunting during firearm seasons on the McKay Tract will be by permit only. All deer hunters will check in at the Woodland Beach Checking Station before hunting. No permit is required for the Lighthouse Island and hunters are not restricted to hunting from deer stands. Non-resident hunters are prohibited from driving deer on state wildlife areas. Each organized deer drive limited to 6 participants (Delaware resident hunters only).
2. For the muzzleloader and shotgun seasons a daily lottery for unfilled stands (including pre-season lottery no-shows) will be held at the checking station 1 1/2 hours before legal shooting time and at 12:00 Noon. Hunters are advised to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the lottery.
3. All permits must be returned to the checking station at the end of the days hunt. All hunting from state-built deer stands only (as marked on map) except archery (see B3).

**B. DEER - ARCHERY.**

1. Except for firearms seasons, archery hunters on the McKay Tract must register for an archery zone at the tagboard at the checking station. Archers may hunt anywhere within the zone except the safety zones.
2. Hunters must place tags on empty hooks when registering for zones and sign the registration sheet. If no empty hooks are available, the zone is full. Hunters must remove tags when leaving the area. Zone availability is first come, first serve. No one must register prior to 4:00 AM the morning of the hunt.
3. Except for firearms seasons, hunters may use state-built stands, hunt from the ground or portable stands. All parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of the days hunt. No permanent stands may be built. No nailed or screw-in tree steps allowed.
4. Archery hunting is closed during the Special Youth Hunt. During firearms seasons, hunters must register for lottery and hunt only from state-built stands.

**C. DEER - FIREARMS**

1. Deer hunting with muzzleloader and shotgun during the all seasons by permit will be open on all days except January when the area will be open Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays only.
2. A HANDGUN MAY BE USED IN PLACE OF A SHOTGUN DURING ANY DEERS SHOTGUN SEASON WHEN A SHOTGUN IS A LEGAL WEAPON.
3. Permits will be issued at the Woodland Beach checking station. (See A2)
4. Special youth hunt deer stands will be drawn by pre-season lottery at Bombay Hook National Wildlife Refuge Office. Applications are available at Bombay Hook and Delaware Div. Fish and Wildlife. A lottery for no-shows and unfilled stands will also be held the day of the hunt Bombay Hook National Wildlife Refuge 2 hours before legal shooting time. A 12:00 noon drawing will be held at Woodland Beach Checking Station.
5. Hand gun deer hunting will be allowed on some Woodland Beach tracts on certain days during the January season. Handgun hunting allowed all days on the Lighthouse Island tract. For details, check online at [www.dnrec.state.de.us/fw](http://www.dnrec.state.de.us/fw) during the fall hunting season or call the hunting check station at (302)653-4802

**D. DEER - DISABLED**

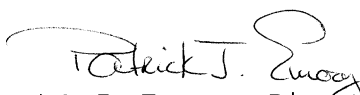
A blind for non-ambulatory (HD3) is available. Permits for this stand will be issued via a daily lottery. The daily lottery for these stands will be conducted at 11:00 AM the day prior to hunt. For additional information, call the Woodland Beach Checking Station at 653-4802. Several deer stands have been modified to accommodate less severely disabled hunters.

**E. UPLAND GAME HUNTING**

1. Upland game hunting (including falconry) at the McKay Tract will be by permit only on Monday, Wednesday and Friday during November, December, January, and February seasons. No permit is required for the Lighthouse Island. No permit is required for September dove hunting on the McKay tract.
2. Permits will be issued by lottery at the Woodland Beach Checking Station at 8:00 AM. Hunters must vacate the area by 3:30 PM daily.
3. Three parties of up to 4 hunters will be given a permit at any one time. Each party must remain within the boundary of their zone (see map). Upland hunters may not take or attempt to take waterfowl.
4. Hunting within the safety zone of residences is prohibited. This law will be strictly enforced.
5. Small game hunting is prohibited during the December firearms deer season.
6. Raccoon hunting is open from September 1 until March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
7. Turkey hunting is allowed on entire area by permit only. (See Delaware Hunting & Trapping Guide for permit application.)

**F. WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. A daily permit is required to hunt from Blinds H, I, and J.
2. Non-ambulatory handicapped hunters will have priority over use of Blind J.
3. Hunters are advised to arrive at the Woodland Beach Checking Station at least 15 minutes prior to the time of lottery. Permits will be issued by a lottery at 1 1/2 hours before legal shooting time. Permits must be returned to the Checking Station at the end of the day's hunt.
4. No more than three persons shall occupy one blind.
5. Hunting Days: Opening days, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Blinds will not be re-issued.
6. Hunting Hours: Legal shooting time until 2:00 PM. Hunters must vacate area by 3:00 PM.
7. Parking: Park at appropriate parking lot (see map). Hunters must walk to the blinds. A gate key is available at the Checking Station for vehicle access for physically disabled or elderly.
8. NOTE: Waterfowl hunting may be closed during early or late snow goose season or during times of high Canada goose concentrations. Special snow goose season days and hours may vary. For info, please call the Checking Station at 653-4802.

  
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For further information, contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Dover, Delaware 19901 (telephone 284-1077, 739-9912 or Woodland Beach Checking Station 653-4802).

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